

**AA District 9 Minutes**  
**February 12, 2023 Meeting**

ROLL CALL: Present, Judy M., Kari I., Ben H., Louise, Marc, Shernie, Chris

Also attending were guest members Kari B., and Heidi.

CALL TO ORDER: 6:04 p.m. DCM Judy M. presiding.

**OPEN SERENITY PRAYER**

TRADITION OF THE MONTH: The group heard a summary of the 12<sup>th</sup> Tradition read by Ben H., and discussed anonymity and “principles before personalities” in the tradition. Judy then read Concept IX.

ROLL CALL: Present – Judy M., DCM, Kari I., Secretary, Ben H., Treasurer, Shernie, Chair of Archives and Literature and GSR of Wednesday Night First Step, Louise T., Chair of Treatment and GSR of Monday Night Women’s Group, Chris, GSR of Night Owls and Marc, acting GSR of Thursday Night Open. Kari B. offered to report on Language of the Heart where she is a member.

**OFFICERS REPORTS:**

Secretary: The minutes of the January 8, 2023 meeting were emailed before the meeting. Kari I. brought additional copies which were distributed. There were two corrections: Judy pointed out that As Bill Sees It meets weekly on Saturdays at 1, and that the Speaker’s Meeting is the second Saturday of the month, and begins at 12 noon with a potluck. Shernie corrected the Archives report in that she did not receive boxes of material from Tacoma, that these materials were already in our possession. She also said that Lisa is in Spokane, not Tacoma. By motion made by Marc and Seconded by Louise, the minutes of the January 8, 2023 meeting were approved as corrected.

Treasurer: Ben H. distributed the financial statement for the month of January 2023. Ending balance was \$3492.93. He noted that next month’s report will need to be amended as the \$100 contribution from Sunday Morning Eye Opener meeting (designated for two purposes of \$50 each) was double booked by accident as it was first booked as from anonymous. A later entry credits SMEO with this contribution, but the anonymous entry was not deleted. After a discussion, by motion made by Kari I. and seconded by Louise, the financial report was accepted as presented.

**GSR REPORTS:**

Thursday Night Open: Marc said there is no GSR for this meeting. He reported as acting GSR as he is a member. It meets Thursdays from 7 to 8 pm; the business meeting is the third Thursday of the month. On average 10 people attend the meeting. There were 3 newcomers in January; 4 coins were awarded. No donations. Format is Chair's Choice.

Monday Night Women's Group: Louise said 10 to 12 women attend the Monday evening meetings which are from 6 to 7:30 pm. The business meeting is the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of the month. It meets at St. Paul's Episcopal Church. There were 3 newcomers in January. One coin was given, to Suzi for 37 years. Format is Big Book and 12 x 12.

Wednesday Night First Step: Shernie said average attendance is 10 people at 7 to 8:30 pm. Its format is readings and sharing.

Night Owls: Chris reported that it meets at FCC on Saturdays, 9 to 10 pm. Average attendance is 3 people. The business meeting is the last Saturday of the month at 8:30 pm. 1 coin was given in January. Format is Big Book, Daily Reflection, As Bill Sees It, 12x12 and Open topic. A coin for one year was given during January.

Language of the Heart: Guest Kari B. said it meets on Tuesday and Thursdays at 12 noon at St. Paul's Episcopal Church. The business meeting is on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of the month. Format is Big Book.

DCM Report: Judy said there was not a written report for the month of January. She shared that had submitted a report for District 9 to the Area but it was accidentally omitted from the Area's Newsletter. She participates in some Area meetings online. She was asked to be on an ad hoc committee about hybrid meetings in the event Area must again rely largely on virtual meetings or hybrid meetings such as during the pandemic. The purpose of the committee is to create guidelines for conducting these meetings. She reminded the Board that Richard B. has volunteered to attend quarterly meetings of the Area in her absence as she cannot travel as in the past. Deputy DCM Richard will attend the March 18<sup>th</sup> quarterly in Ephrata.

#### COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Archives: Shernie said the Area archives have relocated and are unpacking. Shernie has offered to deliver the penitentiary material to Spokane in the Spring. Awaiting response from Lisa.

Literature: Shernie said she and Louise, Chair of Treatment, are working together to deliver literature to treatment centers. They are waiting for responses from the centers.

Treatment: Louise continues to reach out to treatment centers and to nursing homes, offering literature. So far little response from nursing homes.

Corrections: Marc gave an update on the program at the penitentiary. He said there was a great need for literature as pods with a population of 500 people have opened up to the program. After a discussion, by motion made by Kari I. and seconded by Marc, the expenditure

of the balance of the Pink Can (\$762.23) for literature for these newly opened groups was approved. It was stipulated that the big print version of literature be purchased.

Web Tech: Kari I. read Janet's emailed report (who is out of town). Janet's report was that the website was updated, location change for the Watchtower Friday noon meeting for 2/17 and 3/3 (from WW Presbyterian to St. Paul's Episcopal) was due to church programs at WW Presbyterian. She has added the pig roast information and flyer to the website. She asked that GSRs be encouraged to let her know when printed schedules run low.

#### UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Guidelines: Judy acknowledged Richard B.'s hard work on drafting new guidelines for conducting business. Consideration of the new guidelines is deferred until the March 2023 meeting where he hopes to be present.

Switching Banks: Ben H. has investigated banks other than WaFed where District 9 currently has its account. The minimum balance at WaFed is \$2000 for a checking account. Banner Bank requires \$200; District 9's reserve is \$600 so we will never go below this amount. He recommended moving the account from WaFed to Banner Bank. After a discussion, by motion made by Marc and seconded by Shernie, the Board approved closing the WaFed checking account and opening a checking account for District 9 at Banner Bank. Further, Kari Sue Isaacson, Secretary, was added as signator in addition to Ben Hadle, Treasurer, on the account. Ben H. will purchase checks at Banner Bank, and shred the remaining blank WaFed checks.

NEW BUSINESS: No new business.

There being no further business to come before the meeting it was adjourned at 7:15 pm.

- Kari I., Secretary

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 7:30 pm.

- Kari Isaacson, Secretary